

IDAPA 02 - DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

02.06.16 - RULES GOVERNING HONEY STANDARDS

DOCKET NO. 02-0616-1201

NOTICE OF INTENT TO PROMULGATE RULES - NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING

AUTHORITY: In compliance with Sections 67-5220(1) and 67-5220(2), Idaho Code, notice is hereby given that this agency intends to promulgate rules and desires public comment prior to initiating formal rulemaking procedures. This negotiated rulemaking action is authorized pursuant to Section 22-2808, Idaho Code.

MEETING SCHEDULE: A public meeting on the negotiated rulemaking will be held as follows:

Thursday -- August 9, 2012 -- 1:30 p.m. (MST)

**Idaho State Department of Agriculture
2270 Old Penitentiary Road
Boise, Idaho 83712**

A draft of the proposed rule change will be available on July 27, 2012 on the ISDA Web site at www.agri.idaho.gov. Comments must be received by ISDA by August 15, 2012.

METHOD OF PARTICIPATION: Persons wishing to participate in the negotiated rulemaking must do one of the following:

All written comments must be directed to Mike Cooper and must be delivered on or before August 15, 2012. Comments can be sent via email to Mike.Cooper@agri.idaho.gov, or via mail to: Mike Cooper, Idaho State Department of Agriculture, PO Box 790, Boise, ID 83701.

Interested persons may also attend the negotiated rulemaking meeting at the Idaho State Department of Agriculture on August 9, 2012, at 1:30 PM (MST).

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY: The following is a statement in nontechnical language of the substance and purpose of the intended negotiated rulemaking and the principle issues involved:

A rule in its entirety would be developed that would mirror existing standards adopted by other states relative to the identity, quality and labeling of honey. A draft copy will be available on July 27, 2012 from the contact information listed below.

ASSISTANCE ON TECHNICAL QUESTIONS, SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS, OBTAINING COPIES: For assistance on technical questions concerning this negotiated rulemaking or to obtain a copy of the preliminary draft of the text of the proposed rule, contact Michael E. Cooper, Bureau Chief, Field Services at (208) 332-8620.

Anyone may submit written comments regarding this negotiated rulemaking. All written comments must be directed to the undersigned and must be delivered on or before August 15, 2012.

DATED this 8th day of June, 2012.

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